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SUBJECT: MBFR: PHASE II REDUCTION COMMITMENTS: SPC MEETING

NOV 13

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1. ON NOVEMBER 13, FRG REP AT SPC MEETINGS ON MBFR (HOYNCK) TOLD US HE HAD INSTRUCTIONS TO INTRODUCE THE NEW FRG TEXT ON PHASE II REDUCTION COMMITMENTS (REFTEL) AT THE SPC MEETING LATER THAT DAY. WE ASKED HOYNCK IF HIS INSTRUCTIONS HAD TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT THE DEMARCHE WITH ROTH ON THIS SUBJECT, AND HOYNCK REPLIED AFFIRMATIVELY. THE FRG THOUGHT IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO GET THE NEW FRG PROPOSAL ON THE TABLE. HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE FRG CONSIDERED THE NEXT STEP TO BE UP TO THE US, E.G., PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE FRG TEXT. THE IMPORTANT THING FOR THE FRG WAS TO HAVE SOMETHING IN THE POSITION PAPER THAT THE ALLIES SHOULD RESIST
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EASTERN PRESSURE FOR INDIVIDUAL PHASE II REDUCTION COMMITMENTS.

2. AT THE SPC, HOYNCK INTRODUCED THE FRG TEXT. HE

SAID THAT THE FRG CONTINUED TO BELIEVE THAT IT WAS ESSENTIAL TO THE COMMON COLLECTIVE CEILING THAT THE ALLIES FIRMLY RESIST EASTERN PRESSURE FOR INDIVIDUAL PHASE II REDUCTION COMMITMENTS. THE FRG CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT THIS MATTER, L CLOSELY RELATED TO THE COMMON COLLECTIVE CEILING, SHOULD BE RESOLVED WITH OPTION III. HE STATED THAT THE FRG WAS FLEXIBLE AS TO WHAT ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE EAST ON THE BASIS OF THE FRG TEXT.

3. BELGIAN REP (BURNY) RECALLED THAT THE BELGIAN POSITION WAS BERY CLOSE TO THAT OF THE FRG. HE ASKED IF THE FOOTNOTE THAT INDIVIDUAL QUOTAS WILL NOT BE PART OF THE NEGOTIATIONS OR AGREEMENT WOULD PREVENT INFORMING THE OTHER SIDE OF THE REDUCTIONS TAKEN BY EACH ALLY. FRG REP SAID IT WOULD NOT. ITALIAN REP (SFARA) WAS SURE THAT ITALY COULD ACCEPT THE NEW FRG TEXT.

4. US REP (MOORE) NOTED THAT THE FRG TEXT WOULD DECIDE AT THIS TIME THE ALLIED POSITION ON PHASE II REDUCTION COMMITMENTS, AN ISSUE WHICH THE US DOES NOT BELEIVE REQUIRES SETTLEMENT NOW, PARTICULARLY IN THE CONTEXT OF OPTION III. NETHERLANDS REP (MEESMAN) SAID THAT THE NETHERLANDS DOES NOT WISH TO RULE OUT INDIVIDUAL REDUCTION COMMITMENTS. IF THE OTHER SIDE ACCEPTS THE COMMON CEILING, IT IS THE COMMON CEILING WHICH WOULD GOVERN RESIDUAL FORCE LEVELS ONCE INDIVIDUAL REDUCTION COMMITMENTS HAD BEEN CARRIED OUT.

5. COMMENT: WASHINGTON OFFICIALS MAY WISH TO DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH ROTH DURING HIS VISIT NEXT WEEK.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUDIANCE ON THE FRG TEXT FOR USE IN THE DPC.BRUCE

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